

HOUSE RESOLUTION 187  
By Patton

A RESOLUTION To congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hill on the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on December 24, 1951, Ralph Hill and Reba Pate were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Hill celebrated the wonderful occasion of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with their closest friends and relatives at a family dinner on December 24, 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Hill are highly respected citizens of the Johnson City community; they are the very epitome of good neighbors, as they always endeavor to treat others as they would like to be treated; and

WHEREAS, before taking a much deserved retirement, Mr. Ralph Hill served with acumen and alacrity as an employee of the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, in which position he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Reba Hill likewise served with integrity and probity with Watauga Radiology before retiring; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced a daughter, who has excelled in all her endeavors; the Hill's only child is Helen Hill Spencer, who lives in New York; and

WHEREAS, for 50 years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Hills' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and congratulate Ralph and Reba Hill on the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.